

Chairman Rod Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. with Commissioners Boyle, Johnson, Landis, Schram and Vap present. Chairman Johnson also invited the public to address the Commission at any point during the meeting. He also announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available in the meeting room.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Notice was duly published April 3, 2007 on Page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held April 10, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to renew Hamilton's Telecommunications Relay Service/CapTel contract SCA-0225/NIS 2564-04 for an additional two years beginning July 1, 2007. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Anne Boyle voting NAY.

C-3206 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer the Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund NIEF): Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to ratify the appointment of John Jordison to the NIEF Advisory Board. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Gene Hand discussed the March 15, 2007, letter from Great Plains Communications regarding the status of Dockets C-3737 and C-3738 wherein the company committed to look further into the service provided in the area and complete the review by the third quarter of 2007. Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to hold the following two dockets in abeyance. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

C-3737 In the Matter of the Petition from residents of Crookston exchange requesting extended area service (EAS) to the Kilgore exchange, both served by Great Plains Communications:

C-3738 In the Matter of the Petition from residents of Crookston exchange requesting extended area service (EAS) to the Cody exchange, both served by Great Plains Communications:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

C-3744 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to determine the surcharge for the statewide Telecommunications Relay System (TRS) to be effective July 1, 2007, in the State of Nebraska. Commissioner Jerry Vap presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order setting the TRS surcharge. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

C-3745/ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking
PI-126 to investigate time release intervals for participants of telephone calls once a disconnect signal or on-hook signal is detected. Commissioner Anne Boyle presiding as Hearing Officer: Gene Hand informed the Commission that a hearing officer order was entered on April 2, 2007, scheduling a workshop for May 8, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Library, Lincoln.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter orders approving the following interconnection agreements. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

C-3758 In the Matter of Qwest Corporation, Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a Triennial Review Order and Triennial Review Remand Order (TRO/TRRO) Amendment to Wireline Interconnection Agreement with Ionex Communications North, Inc. (fka Advanced Communications Group and Firstel, Inc.), Addison, Texas, previously approved in Docket C-2281.

C-3759 In the Matter of 1-800-Reconex, Inc. dba U.S. Tel, Hubbard, Oregon, seeking approval of an Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement with United Telephone Company of the West dba Embarq, Overland Park, Kansas.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

911-011/ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, to
PI-79 establish Phase II enhanced wireless 911 service implementation. Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order approving the Frontier/plant CML equipment offer. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

911-018 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish audit requirements related to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order adopting remittance audit policies. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter orders in Dockets 911-023.04 through 911-023.56 approving funding for GIS mapping. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

911-023.04 In the Matter of Custer County, Public Safety Answering Point, Broken Bow, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.05 In the Matter of Hall County, Public Safety Answering Point, Grand Island, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.10 In the Matter of Hamilton County, Public Safety Answering Point, Aurora, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.12 In the Matter of Washington County, Public Safety Answering Point, Blair, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.15 In the Matter of Colfax County, Public Safety Answering Point, Schuyler, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.20 In the Matter of Furnas County, Public Safety Answering Point, Beaver City, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.26 In the Matter of Antelope County, Public Safety Answering Point, Neligh, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.30 In the Matter of Box Butte County/Alliance PD Public Safety Answering Point, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.33 In the Matter of Gage County, Public Safety Answering Point, Beatrice, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

911-023.38 In the Matter of Red Willow County/McCook, Public Safety Answering Point, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.44 In the Matter of Polk County, Public Safety Answering Point, Center, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.47 In the Matter of Knox County, Public Safety Answering Point, Center, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.50 In the Matter of Harlan-Phelps Counties, Public Safety Answering Point, Holdrege, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.56 In the Matter of Nance County, Public Safety Answering Point, Fullerton, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation.

911-023.26 In the Matter of Antelope County, Public Safety Answering Point, Neligh, seeking funding approval for recurring and non-recurring costs of Enhanced Wireless 911 implementation. Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting equipment funding request in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NUSF-33/ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking
PI-68 to investigate the audit requirements related to the
Nebraska Universal Service Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order adopting remittance audit policies. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NUSF- In the Matter of Jeffrey L. Pursley, Director, Nebraska
37.118 Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department, Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Opcom, Inc., d/b/a WCS Telecom. Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order dismissing the complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

WC 02-60 In the Matter of American Telemedicine Association's Petition for Reconsideration of the Rural Health Care Support Mechanism Second Report and Order: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to approve comments to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Jeff Pursley discussed the vacancy on the Nebraska USF Advisory Board and requested approval to nominate a new board member. Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to approve the nomination of Rob Logsdon as the new telecommunications representative to the NUSF Advisory Board. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0013 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to evaluate and establish, on a quarterly basis, an assessment for jurisdictional utilities pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act [LB 790, 2003]. Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis to enter Progression Order No. 15. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NG-0041 In the Matter of Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), Omaha, seeking individual general rate increases for Aquila's Rate Area One, Rate Area Two, and Rate Area Three. Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter Assessment Order No. GDS-002. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. Laura Demman reported that Hearing Officer Landis entered an order April 10, 2007 to continue the prehearing conference previously scheduled for April 18, 2007, to May 22, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Library, Lincoln.

NG-0044 In the Matter of the Joint Application of Aquila Inc. D/B/A Aquila Networks, Kansas City, Missouri; Black Hills Corporation, and Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, both of Rapid City, South Dakota, seeking approval of the proposed transfer of Aquila's Certificate of Convenience and for a Change of Control of Aquila's Nebraska jurisdictional assets. Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter a Notice of Assessment and Protective Orders. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

Laura Demman informed the Commission that 32 consumer complaints and inquiries were received in March, 2007. The complaints and inquiries were categorized as follows: Aquila - 19 (6 opposing rate increase); Kinder Morgan - 12 (4 inquiring about refund); and 1 referred to other entity.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Angela Melton discussed the preliminary implementation plan for LB 661 which was signed by Governor Heineman on April 5, 2007.

HOUSING AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEPARTMENT

Mark Breiner discussed scheduling a hearing for the determination of the Modular Housing Seal Fee. The proposed hearing date would be May 23, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1434 In the Matter of Yellow Cab & Limo, Inc. Beatrice, seeking a waiver of Rule 011.01D: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order approving in part and denying in part the application. Commissioner Rod Johnson left the Commission Hearing Room just prior to the start of the agenda. Commissioner Frank Landis acted as chairman. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Rod Johnson excused not voting.

B-1688 In the Matter of Prestige Limo, Sidney, seeking authority Supp. 1 to acquire, through transfer, the certificate held by Lou and Mary Jo Marshall, dba Double Diamond Limousine Service, North Platte, in Certificate B-1437: Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Vap, to enter an order granting the application and revoking Certificate B-1437. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Rod Johnson excused not voting.

B-1696 In the Matter of Todd Friesen, dba Your Limo Service, Grand Island, seeking authority to acquire, through transfer, the certificate held by Central Limousine, Grand Island, in Certificate B-1659: Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order denying the application on a temporary basis. Commissioner Rod Johnson returned to the Commission Hearing Room during discussion of this item and resumed duties as chairman. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE, and Commissioner Rod Johnson present not voting.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

B-1698 In the Matter of Groetken Company, dba Prince & Princess Limousine, Sioux City, Iowa, seeking to acquire, through transfer, the authority granted to O'Mickle, Inc., dba Prince and Princess Limousine Service, in Certificate B-1518: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Anne Boyle, to enter an order granting temporary authority. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

M-14131 In the Matter of S & B Enterprises, dba Apartment Movers of Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska. Commissioner Boyle presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Anne Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order revoking the certificate. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Rate Division

MR-930 In the Matter of Movers and Warehouse Division, Nebraska Motor Carriers Association, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish a fuel surcharge in Nebraska Official Household Goods Tariff 7-F: The fuel surcharge was retained at 72 cents per mile.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of Schedule A and Schedule E Rates and Charges: A video hearing was scheduled for May 16, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. CDT (9:00 a.m. MDT), in the Commission Library and the Panhandle Learning Center, High Plains Room, 4502 Avenue I, Scottsbluff. Commissioner Schram was appointed Hearing Officer.

Grain Dealer Division

GD-2562 In the Matter of Kenneth Harlow, dba Harlow Trucking, Emmet, seeking cancellation of his Grain Dealer License: John Fecht informed the Commission that the application was granted.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to grant the Executive Director's recommendation to approve the following Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Voyager	\$	1,012.32
Attorney General		2,719.81
DAS-Materiel-Office Supplies		523.08
HHS Finance & Support		671.19
HHS Finance & Support		521.60

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

Motion made by Commissioner Jerry Vap, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to grant the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission minutes for the month of March 2007. Motion passed with Commissioners Anne Boyle, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Andy Pollock reported on, and the Commissioners discussed, the contract with the Attorney General.

Andy Pollock reported on the library books and the Commissioners discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m. with Commissioners Boyle, Johnson, Landis, Schram and Vap present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 17, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on April 16, 2007.

Chairman

Executive Director